

Future Events

End of June 2003 - public meetings will be held to discuss the final array of coastwide restoration plans.

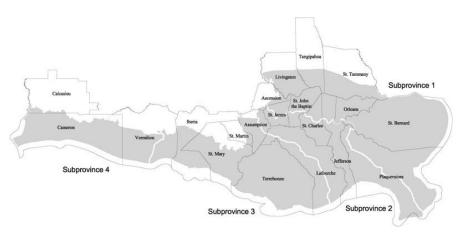
End of July 2003 - public meetings will be held to discuss the tentatively selected coastwide restoration plan.

October 2003 – public meetings will be held to afford the public the opportunity to comment on the **Draft Programmatic**Environmental Impact Statement for the plan.

Your Comments and Questions are Important

You may use the enclosed, postage paid, self-addressed comment card for comments and/or questions on any aspect of the study. You may also post comments and/or questions on the website http://www.coast2050.gov/lca.

Subprovince Map



LOUISIANA COASTAL AREA COMPREHENSIVE COASTWIDE ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION STUDY (LCA)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

In February, the LCA study team presented a general overview of the progress to date and the approaches being considered to implement the *Coast 2050* plan/program.

An important milestone has been reached in our *Coast 2050* effort to restore Louisiana's coastal ecosystem. The LCA study has determined the costs and benefits for each of the 32 specific **subprovince alternatives** that will be used as the basis for developing a **coastwide restoration plan**.

In May and June 2003, Federal and state agency team members along with other coastal engineers and scientists will hold public meetings in or near your community. Please come to these public meetings to find out about and discuss the calculated effects of the subprovince alternatives and the process being developed to select a coastwide restoration plan.

Watch for more information in your mail.

The effects of the **LCA** will be far reaching, so get involved, make a difference, be heard, and be a part of implementing *Coast 2050*.

For more information on the study call:

Troy Constance at 504-862-2742 or Jon Porthouse at 225-342-9421 For more information on the meetings call:

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See websites: - http://www.coast2050.gov/lca

- http://www.mvn.usace.army.mil/prj/lca

Public Meetings Schedule

Tuesday, May 27, 2003 - Houma, La. - 5:30 pm

Houma Municipal Auditorium 800 Verret St. Houma, La. 70360

Wednesday, May 28, 2003 - Lafayette, La. - 5:30 pm

Estuarine Habitat and Coastal Fisheries Center 646 Cajundome Boulevard Lafayette, La. 70373

Thursday, May 29, 2003 - Lake Charles, La. - 5:30 pm

Contraband Room Lake Charles Civic Center 900 Lakeshore Drive Lake Charles, La. 70601

Monday, June 2, 2003 New Orleans, La. - 5:30 pm

Research Technology Park of UNO Lindy Boggs International Conference Center 2045 Lakeshore Drive (End of Elysian Fields Ave.) New Orleans, La. 70122

Brochures with an overview of the study, including the 32 **subprovince alternatives,** will be available at the meetings and on the websites.

Meetings presented by: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District Louisiana Department of Natural Resources

Meeting Format

5:30-6:30 Open House

- Come talk to us
- General information on the problems of our coast and the 32 **subprovince alternatives** proposed for coastal restoration
- Information about the LCA study process
- Information on the roles and methods of public involvement

6:30-7:15 Orientation and Overview

- Welcoming remarks
- Study overview and next step
- A detailed description of the "no action" plan
- An explanation of the process used to select and analyze the 32 subprovince alternatives and the process that will be used to combine them into a final array of coastwide restoration plans

7:15-7:45 Public Questions About Process Used to Combine 32 Subprovince Alternatives into the Final Array of Coastwide Restoration Plans

• Questions will be confined to the study process and analytical methods employed

7:45-9:30 Small Group Interactive, Informal Discussions About Each of the 32 Subprovince Alternatives

Maps and information on features and land, habitat, and water quality changes along with costs for each of the 32 subprovince alternatives will be presented at individual stations for each of the four subprovinces. LCA team members will be at each site to answer questions and facilitate discussions. Individuals are encouraged to participate in small group discussions on any and all of the 32 subprovince alternatives.